

SENATE BILL 2599

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49
and Title 55, Chapter 50, relative to fees for driver
licenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-323(a)(2), is amended by
adding the following as a new subdivision:

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(i) As used in this subdivision (a)(2)(N):

(a) "Course schedule" means a list or other representation, either
physical or electronic, of the courses a student is enrolled in issued by an
educational institution;

(b) "Full-time student" has the same meaning as defined in § 49-
4-902. "Full-time student" includes a student with a documented learning
disability who receives accommodations because of the student's
disability and who is unable to take twelve (12) semester hours per
semester as a direct result of the student's disability; provided, that the
student takes the maximum number of semester hours that is established
by the eligible postsecondary institution as feasible for the student to
attempt;

(c) "Postsecondary institution" and "institution" means any
institution authorized to operate by the higher education commission
under the Tennessee Higher Education Authorization Act of 2016,

compiled in title 49, chapter 7, part 20, or any institution exempt from such authorization under § 49-7-2004(a)(5) or § 49-7-2004(a)(6); and

(d) "Student identification" means a document, physical or electronic, issued by an educational institution for the purpose of identifying a student.

(ii) Notwithstanding this section, a driver license, except for a commercial driver license, with no endorsements issued pursuant to this part shall be provided free of charge, if the person:

(a) Is a nonresident who establishes residency in this state; and

(b) Is enrolled as a full-time student at a postsecondary institution.

Enrollment as a full-time student at a postsecondary institution shall be verified by either one (1) of the following and an affidavit, signed by the person under penalty of perjury, attesting that the person is enrolled as a full-time student, or any two (2) of the following:

(1) A current student identification issued by a postsecondary institution to the person;

(2) A current course schedule issued to the person by a postsecondary institution showing enrollment in courses sufficient to meet the definition of "full-time student";

(3) A document or record, physical or electronic, showing that the tuition for the person for the current term has been paid to the postsecondary institution;

(4) A signed letter on an official letterhead from the registrar, or office of the registrar, of a postsecondary institution stating that the person is currently enrolled as a full-time student at that institution.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect August 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.